

that is the first major step of a product of about 2 months of work. With that work and the time they have spent, the dedication and focus, it means that once that information can be shared with Democrats and Republicans throughout the Senate and they take a look at it, the fact that it has been so carefully vetted, we should be able to address it in the course of next week.

I had a brief conversation with the Democratic leader, who has begun to look at that legislation. He, too, is confident we can address this issue next week. The House of Representatives has to address it, as well, go to conference—if we don't pass the same bill—and then get it to the President as soon as we possibly can. So it is very good news. That agreement was reached today.

There are a number of other items that have to be addressed, but there were three major items that were the real gist, the substance of that agreement.

DARFUR PEACE AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2005

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3127 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3127) to impose sanctions against individuals responsible for genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity, to support measures for the protection of civilians and humanitarian operations, and to support peace efforts in the Darfur region of Sudan, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the Lugar substitute at the desk be agreed to, the bill as amended be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements related to the measure be printed in the appropriate place in the RECORD as if read.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 5033), in the nature of a substitute, was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill (H.R. 3127), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I have several other issues to deal with, but that particular issue on Sudan and sanctions surrounding Sudan leads me to comment on the great tragedy that is occurring in the Darfur region in western Sudan.

I have had the opportunity to be in that region in a number of the refugee

camp along that western border of Sudan and Chad, the country just west of Sudan, a country to which many of these refugees are fleeing.

Things are getting worse in Darfur. We have heard a lot about it in the last 2½ years. On this floor, a little over 2 years ago, we called it a genocide. Shortly thereafter, the administration also agreed it is genocide. And that is exactly what it is. We do not know exactly how many people have been killed, but around 200,000 people have been killed in this genocide and probably 2 million people displaced from their homes. Things are getting worse. It deserves the attention of this body. We focused on it at a very early time. We continue to focus on it, but again, I think we are going to have to focus on it more and more.

An envoy was appointed by the President maybe yesterday or the day before. I think that is a very positive move in that regard.

RECOGNIZING THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of and the Senate now proceed to S. Res. 574.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 574) recognizing the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation on the occasion of its 70th anniversary and saluting the outstanding service of its members and staff on behalf of the agricultural community and the people of North Carolina.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 574) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 574

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation was founded on March 2, 1936, in Greenville, North Carolina, during the Great Depression, a period of national frustration and economic disaster;

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation was established to organize North Carolina's farm families and to maximize their ability to engage in national, State, and local policy debates that affect North Carolina agriculture;

Whereas at its first annual meeting in Raleigh, North Carolina, on July 30, 1936, the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation had slightly over 2,000 members from 24 counties;

Whereas in 2005, the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation was composed of approximately 490,000 member families from all 100

counties of North Carolina, making it the second largest State farm bureau in the United States;

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation created a Women's Program in 1942 and a Young Farmer and Rancher Program in the 1970s to encourage leadership development among its members;

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation is committed to advancing agricultural education in North Carolina through its R. Flake Shaw Scholarship Fund, established in 1958, and the Institute for Future Agricultural Leaders, founded in 1984, which help ensure that the young men and women of North Carolina are well prepared for careers in agriculture;

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation created and continues to sponsor the Ag-In-The-Classroom initiative to introduce children to North Carolina agriculture and to improve the quality of teachers in North Carolina schools;

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation's visionary Board of Directors developed numerous initiatives that enable farmers to effectively produce and sell their products, such as the organization's marketing program, and that provide farmers with access to necessary farm resources, such as the tires, batteries, and accessories service;

Whereas in 1953, the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation founded the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation Mutual Insurance Company, which is North Carolina's largest domestic insurance company;

Whereas the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation Mutual Insurance Company is composed entirely of farmers; and

Whereas the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation is a true grassroots organization dedicated to ensuring that agriculture remains North Carolina's number 1 industry through the organization's unique policy development process and active legislative and regulatory advocacy programs: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate recognizes the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation on the occasion of its 70th anniversary and salutes the outstanding service of its members and staff on behalf of the agricultural community and the people of North Carolina.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2006, AND MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2006

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, September 22. I further ask consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and further that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate it be in order for Senators to introduce bills on Friday until 11 a.m.; provided further that a bill to be introduced by Senator FRIST or his designee be considered as read a first time and that there be an objection to its second reading. I further ask consent that following the pledge, the Senate then stand in adjournment until the hour of 2 p.m. on Monday, September 25. I further ask consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of

proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business, with Senators to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, tomorrow we will be in session for a very brief period of time, but we will not have any votes to accommodate those Senators who wish to celebrate Rosh Hashanah. Senators are reminded that we have 1 more week of session and we have a lot of work to do, a lot of important legislative and executive items to wrap up. Senators should be forewarned that there are going to be very busy days throughout the week, and they should plan their schedules accordingly. Thus, our next vote will be at 5:30 on Monday, and that vote will be on the confirmation of a U.S. district judge.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:50 p.m., adjourned until Friday, September 22, 2006, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 21, 2006:

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

STEVEN R. CHEALANDER, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2007, VICE ELLEN G. ENGLEMAN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CRAIG ROBERTS STAPLETON, OF CONNECTICUT, TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO MONACO.

RONALD SPOGLI, OF CALIFORNIA, TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO.

ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

CURTIS S. CHIN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES DIRECTOR OF THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, VICE PAUL WILLIAM SPELTZ.

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVES UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be captain

MARGARET A. BLOMME, 0000
BRUCE F. BRUNI, 0000
WILLARD S. ELLIS, 0000
ROBERT P. FORGIT, 0000
HAROLD J. FRENCH, 0000
KURT B. HINRICHS, 0000
JOHN T. LAUFER, 0000
STEVAN C. LITTLE, 0000
SCOTT F. OGAN, 0000
FRANCIS S. PELKOWSKI, 0000
FRED W. REMEN, 0000
MILLARD F. ROBERTS, 0000
NONA M. SMITH, 0000
RICKEY D. THOMAS, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 271:

To be captain

MEREDITH L. AUSTIN, 0000
STEVEN T. BAYNES, 0000
THOMAS D. BEISTLE, 0000
CARLYLE A. BLOMME, 0000
ROBERT E. BROGAN, 0000
WAYNE P. BROWN, 0000
ROBERT S. BURCHELL, 0000
JOHN R. CAPLIS, 0000
MARK A. CAWTHORN, 0000
MICHAEL B. CHRISTIAN, 0000
BARRY A. COMPAGNONI, 0000
MARK E. DOLAN, 0000
BRAD W. FABLING, 0000
LINDA L. FAGAN, 0000
LISA M. FESTA, 0000
JAMES J. FISHER, 0000
BRENDAN C. FROST, 0000
KARL J. GABRIELSEN, 0000
MICHAEL S. GARDINER, 0000
EDWARD J. GIBBONS, 0000
GLENN F. GRAHL, 0000
CATHERINE A. HAINES, 0000
KELLY L. HATFIELD, 0000
MICHAEL J. HAYCOCK, 0000
JOHN N. HEALY, 0000
LISA T. HEFFELFINGER, 0000
JAMES M. HEINZ, 0000
MARK S. HEMANN, 0000
JOHN J. HICKEY, 0000
MARK J. HUEBSCHMAN, 0000
MICHAEL C. HUSAK, 0000
JAY JEWESS, 0000
FRANK H. KINGETT, 0000
SCOTT A. KITCHEN, 0000
ROBERT J. KLAPPROTH, 0000
JOSEPH B. KOLB, 0000
JOHN W. KOSTER, 0000
GARY D. LAKIN, 0000
BOBBY M. LAM, 0000
THOMAS F. LENNON, 0000
PATRICK LITTLE, 0000
JAMES F. MARTIN, 0000
CHRISTOPHER A. MARTINO, 0000
LORI A. MATHIEU, 0000
JAMES G. MAZZONNA, 0000
MICHAEL F. MCALLISTER, 0000
DAVID A. MCBRIDE, 0000
DOUGLAS R. MCCRIMMON, 0000
JOSEPH C. MCGUINNESS, 0000
MATTHEW E. MILLER, 0000
WILLIAM J. MILNE, 0000
DAVID W. NEWTON, 0000
HUNG M. NGUYEN, 0000
MARK S. OGLE, 0000
PETER K. OITTINEN, 0000
JOSEPH S. PARADIS, 0000
JOHN R. PASCH, 0000
ROBERT J. PAULISON, 0000
DREW W. PEARSON, 0000
JOSEPH D. PHILLIPS, 0000
SCOTT M. POLLOCK, 0000
DREW A. RAMBO, 0000
JOSEPH M. RE, 0000
KENNETH J. REYNOLDS, 0000
CHRISTOPHER L. ROBERGE, 0000
BYRON H. ROMINE, 0000
JUNE E. RYAN, 0000
CHRISTOPHER P. SCRABA, 0000
JAMES P. SOMMER, 0000
GARY S. SPENIK, 0000
GREGORY J. SUNDAARD, 0000
CHRISTOPHER J. TOMNEY, 0000
MICHAEL E. TOUSLEY, 0000
ROSANNE TRABOCCHI, 0000
MARK A. TRUE, 0000
STEVEN C. TRUHLAR, 0000
DAVID A. VAUGHN, 0000
MATTHEW VONRUDEN, 0000
RODERICK E. WALKER, 0000
JAMES A. WIERZBICKI, 0000
WERNER A. WINZ, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 271:

To be commander

JOYCE E. AIVALOTIS, 0000
CHARLES G. ALCOCK, 0000
JAMES E. ANDREWS, 0000
WILLIAM J. ANTONAKIS, 0000
DARNELL C. BALDINELLI, 0000
CHARLES B. BARBEE, 0000
MICHAEL A. BAROODY, 0000
DALE K. BATEMAN, 0000
DAVID E. BECK, 0000
ALAN L. BLUME, 0000
COREY BONHEIM, 0000
GEOFF R. BORREE, 0000
JEROME K. BRADFORD, 0000
KEVIN F. BRUEN, 0000
MARK J. BRUYERE, 0000
DAVID A. BULLOCK, 0000
GREGORY A. BURG, 0000
JOSEPH S. CALNAN, 0000
MARK A. CAMACHO, 0000
JOSEPH M. CARROLL, 0000
GREGORY L. CARTER, 0000
STEPHEN H. CHAMBERLIN, 0000
GERALD M. CHARLTON, 0000
PETER J. CLEMENS, 0000
AMY B. COCANOUR, 0000
TODD M. COGGESHALL, 0000
BENJAMIN A. COOPER, 0000
JONATHAN E. COPELEY, 0000
TIMOTHY M. CUMMINS, 0000
DEAN J. DARDIS, 0000
MICHAEL H. DAY, 0000
ANDRES V. DELGADO, 0000
TIMOTHY D. DENBY, 0000
PAUL E. DITTMAN, 0000
MARK P. DORAN, 0000
JEFFREY D. DOW, 0000
MICHAEL J. DREIER, 0000
THOMAS P. DURAND, 0000
JAMES E. ELLIOTT, 0000
KENT W. EVERINGHAM, 0000
MARK J. FEDOR, 0000
BOB I. FEIGENBLATT, 0000
LEE S. FIELDS, 0000
PAUL A. FLYNN, 0000
CHARLES E. FOSSE, 0000
DANIEL J. FRANK, 0000
MICHAEL L. GATLIN, 0000
ROBERT C. GAUDET, 0000
KEVIN P. GAVIN, 0000
CLAUDIA C. GELZER, 0000
SHANNON N. GILREATH, 0000
LAWRENCE E. GREENE, 0000
DUSTIN E. HAMACHER, 0000
RICHARD C. HAMBLETT, 0000
ROBERT T. HANNAH, 0000
THOMAS W. HARKER, 0000
LONNIE P. HARRISON, 0000
ROBERT T. HENDRICKSON, 0000
GLENA T. HERMES-SANCHEZ, 0000
GLENN C. HERNANDEZ, 0000
CHRISTOPHER M. HOLLINGSHEAD, 0000
RONALD S. HORN, 0000
RICHARD E. HORNER, 0000
PEDRO L. JIMENEZ, 0000
ERIC G. JOHNSON, 0000
KEVIN A. JONES, 0000
TERI L. JORDAN, 0000
VIRGINIA J. KAMMER, 0000
KEVIN M. KEAST, 0000
BRENDA K. KERST, 0000
LAWRENCE A. KILEY, 0000
SUSAN R. KLEIN, 0000
NATHAN E. KNAPP, 0000
SUZANNE E. LANDRY, 0000
WILLIAM J. LANE, 0000
JOHN H. LANG, 0000
MICHAEL P. LEBSACK, 0000
JOSEPH F. LECATO, 0000
SCOTT F. LEMASTERS, 0000
CAROLA J. G. LIST, 0000
CHRISTIAN R. LUND, 0000
KEVIN C. LYONS, 0000
THOMAS S. MACDONALD, 0000
EDWARD J. MAROHN, 0000
KIRSTEN R. MARTIN, 0000
JOHN W. MAUGER, 0000
TIMOTHY A. MAYER, 0000
DAVID G. MCCLELLAN, 0000
ROBERT S. MCCLEURE, 0000
JEFFREY R. MCCULLARS, 0000
PATRICK S. MCELLIGATT, 0000
DARRAN J. MCLENON, 0000
KEITH P. MCTIQUE, 0000
STEPHEN M. MIDAS, 0000
NATHAN A. MOORE, 0000
MARK J. MORIN, 0000
MITCHELL A. MORRISON, 0000
ANDREW D. MYERS, 0000
MICHAEL C. NEININGER, 0000
DANIEL R. NORTON, 0000
PETER C. NOURSE, 0000
RANDAL S. OGRYZDAK, 0000
DAVID J. PALAZZETTI, 0000
ANDREW M. RAHA, 0000
STEPHEN E. RANNEY, 0000
MICHAEL W. RAYMOND, 0000
SEAN P. REGAN, 0000
PAUL E. RENDON, 0000
JONATHAN N. RIFFE, 0000
BRADLEY J. RIPKEY, 0000
MELISSA L. RIVERA, 0000
GREGORY S. ROBERTSON, 0000
BRIAN W. ROCHE, 0000
RICARDO RODRIGUEZ, 0000
PATRICK A. ROPP, 0000
MICHAEL T. RORSTAD, 0000
WILLIAM E. RUNNELS, 0000
ORIN E. RUSH, 0000
JOSE A. SALICETTI, 0000
THOMAS J. SALVEGGIO, 0000
EDWARD W. SANDLIN, 0000
KARA M. SATRA, 0000
DAVID SAVATGY, 0000
TIMOTHY J. SCHANG, 0000
HARRY M. SCHMIDT, 0000
PATRICK H. SCHMIDT, 0000
DOUGLAS M. SCHOFIELD, 0000
JOSEPH R. SIEMIATKOWSKI, 0000
ROBERT L. SMITH, 0000
ROGER A. SMITH, 0000
JONATHAN S. SPANER, 0000
MIKEAL S. STAEL, 0000
JAMES A. STEWART, 0000
SCOTT D. STEWART, 0000
EDWARD M. STPIERRE, 0000
TODD R. STYRWOLD, 0000
ERIC M. TELFER, 0000
STEVEN C. TESCHENDORF, 0000
JEFFERY W. THOMAS, 0000
PHILLIP R. THORNE, 0000
RICHARD V. TIMME, 0000
WILLIAM R. TIMMONS, 0000
TIMOTHY A. TOBIASZ, 0000
GARY L. TOMASULO, 0000
CARLOS A. TORRES, 0000